

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 5, at line 6, as follows:

The general design of an embodiment of the hose cartridge according to the present invention will be described in more detail with reference to Figs. 1 to 3. The hose cartridge comprises a cartridge housing 1, provided with a lateral recess 2. A An element or cantilever arm 3 having generally the shape of a segment of a circle delimits the inner side of this lateral recess 2. The cartridge housing 1 is provided with a slot 7 located between the cantilever arm 3 and the top portion of the cartridge housing 1. The cantilever arm 3 is attached to the cartridge housing only at one of its ends; thus, the cantilever arm is radially resilient, particularly in the region of its end portion 3a.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 5, at line 17, as follows:

The bottom portion of the cartridge housing comprises two mounting means or two pairs of legs 4 and 5, whereby each leg is provided with a catch member 4a, 5a at its front end. The two pairs of legs 4, 5 delimit the afore mentioned recess 2 on both sides. Due to the fact that a slot 7 is provided in the cartridge housing 1, and further due to the fact that the cantilever arm 3 is fixed to the cartridge housing 1 only at one side of the arm 3, the two pairs of legs 4, 5 are resiliently movable towards each other as well, thus enabling a quick attachment

of the cartridge housing 1 to a pump (not shown) or to corresponding protrusions thereof.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, at line 4, as follows:

At the right side of the cartridge housing, as seen in Fig. 1, two support arms 8 and 9 are provided, each provided at its end with a hose take-up member 10, 11 having a greater diameter greater than the arms 8, 9. Both of the hose take-up members 10, 11 are provided each with a bigger and a smaller cutout 12, 13; 15, 16 adapted to receive each one of two two-part retaining members or stoppers 26, 28 provided on the hose section to be attached to the hose cartridge 1. It should be noted that the hose section to be attached to the cartridge housing 1 and the associated retaining members or stoppers 26, 28 of the hose are not shown in Figs. 1 to 3.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, at line 14, as follows:

Fig. 3 ~~Fig. 2~~ shows that the larger cutouts 12, 15 are of essentially circular cross section, while the smaller cutouts 13, 16 show an essentially oval cross section. Between the two cutouts 12, 13 and 15, 16, respectively, in each case a necking 14, 17 is provided, adapted to clampingly fix the associated retaining member or stopper 26, 28 of the hose section.

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 6, at line 20, as follows:

The major part of the outer periphery of the cartridge housing 1 is provided with a continuous groove 19, whereby the individual groove sections are designated by reference numerals 19a, 19b, 19c and 19d. The groove 19 serves for receiving a tube section, as will be explained in more detail herein after. The first groove section 19a extends from the hose take-up member 11 along the lower side of the lower support arm 9 and runs between the right pair of legs 5 ~~legs 4~~. The groove section extending along the lower side of the cantilever arm 3 is designated with reference numeral 19b. The groove section 19b runs between the left pair of legs 4 and opens into a groove section 19c, extending along the left outer side of front face 20 of the cartridge housing 1, opposite to the two support arms 8, 9, to the top of the cartridge housing 1. Therefrom, a groove section 19d extends along the top side of the cartridge housing 1 and along the top side of the support arm 8 through the hose take-up member 10. In simple words, the groove 19 runs along the three outer sides 18, 20 and 21 of the cartridge housing 1 from the lower support arm 9 to the upper support arm 8.